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SUBJECT: INTERNAL SECURITY: STATUS OF FIGUEROA KIDNAPPING

1. A BYLINE ARTICLE ON THE FIGUEROA CASE IN EL HERALDO OF AUGUST 20 CITES GUERRERO STATE OFFICIALS AND THE FAMILY OF KIDNAPPED SENATOR FIGUEROA AS SAYING THAT IN RECENT DAYS THEY HAVE NOT EVEN RECEIVED ANONYMOUS PHONE CALLS OR RUMORS CONCERNING THE CASE. THE REPORT CAREFULLY AVOIDS CALLING FIGUEROA'S KIDNAPPERS GUERRILLAS, INSTEAD TERMING THEM "BANDOLEROS WHO USED THE METHOD OF GUERRILLAS". MEANWHILE TEACHERS WHO WERE FORMER FRIENDS OR ACQUAINTANCES OF GUERRILLA LEADER LUCIO CABANAS HAVE ALLEGED HARASSEMENT BY POLICE AUTHORITIES.
2. ON AUGUST 19 SALVADOR NOGUEDA PENALOZA, SON OF ACAPULCO BUSINESSMAN AND REPORTEDLY A RELATIVE OF GUERRERO GOVERNOR ISRAEL NOGUEDA OTERO, WAS KIDNAPPED BY 5 ARMED MEN IN ACAPULCO. THERE IS NO CLEAR INDICATION HOWEVER THAT THIS KIDNAPPING IS RELATED TO THAT OF FIGUEROA. BRANDIN

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